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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 18 have been rejected under 35 USC §101.

Claims 1 and 18 have been amended, as suggested by the

Examiner, to overcome these rejections. Claims 1-8 and 18-20 have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

Claims 9-17 have been allowed.

Claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance. Allowance of the subject application is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees for this election to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

Respectfully submitted,

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